

2022 GWENDOLEN CARTER CONFERENCE

PASTS FOR THE FUTURE OF PASTORALISM



How can — and should — the archaeological past be employed to benefit the present lives and precarious futures of pastoralist communities across Africa?

This online conference will convene archaeologists, geographers, ecologists, cultural anthropologists, development/policy experts, and herders to address how long-term perspectives on pastoralist resilience and vulnerability can best be mobilized to craft desirable futures for African pastoralism.

How can we design archaeological research at various spatial and temporal scales to best inform other approaches to modern pastoralism? How can cross-disciplinary studies use archaeological and historical research in innovative ways? How can archaeologists and others best engage in academic and public dialogue about policy and pastoralist futures? This conference will chart collaborative avenues forward.

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**APRIL 8-9
@ 10AM EDT**

For more information &
Zoom links, scan here.



Gwendolen Carter Conference 2022: Pasts for the Future of Pastoralism

Friday, April 8th

Preliminary Schedule, all times listed are Eastern Daylight Time

Session I:

Defining the problem and introducing archaeological approaches

10:00am - ***Introduction: Pasts for the Future of Pastoralism***

Katherine Grillo | Assistant Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Florida
Prame Lesorogol | Community representative, Samburu, Kenya

10:20am - ***From the Sahara to the Sahel – 7000 years of pastoralism in northern Africa***

Nick Brooks | University of East Anglia
Joanne Clarke | University of East Anglia

10:40am - ***The challenges of understanding early pastoralists around Lake Turkana: Prospects for assessing risk, mobility, and interaction networks via archaeological data***

Elizabeth Hildebrand | Stony Brook University

11:00am - ***Rangelands and resilience: Investigating ancient African pastoralism with eyes on the present (co-authored with K. Grillo)***

Mary Prendergast | Rice University

11:20-11:30am Short break

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Session II:

Contemporary pastoralism in Africa: Land Use, Conservation, and Heritage

11:30am - *(Re) Discovering community archaeology in Northern Kenya; Challenges and opportunities*

Abdikadir Kurewa | National Museums of Kenya

11:50am - *Community-based Wildlife Conservation in Northern Kenya: Implications for pastoral land use and governance*

Carolyn Lesorogol | Washington University in St. Louis

12:10pm - *Exploring future land use change scenarios and their implications for pastoral systems in East Africa*

Rebecca Kariuki | NM-AIST and University of York

12:30pm - *Adapting to climate change and conflict in Western Sahara*

Nick Brooks | University of East Anglia

Joanne Clarke | University of East Anglia

12:30-1:00pm - Discussion & Wrap-up of Day 1

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Saturday, April 9th

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Session III:

Innovative Methods and Global Perspectives

10:00am - *Challenges and Opportunities for Studying Ancient Pastoral Mobility in Africa*

Anneke Janzen | University of Tennessee-Knoxville

10:20am - *Simulating agropastoral land use and landscape change in the Mediterranean Basin*

Nicolas Gautier | University of Florida

10:40am - *The introduction and intensification of pastoralism in north-central Asia*

Alicia Ventresca Miller | University of Michigan

Session: *Brainstorming Ways Forward*

11:00am-12:00pm - Roundtable Discussion for Panelists